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CHRIST AND CHRISTMAS.

O'er the dark night of chaos, shone
One lone, brave star,
Still circling on, from zone to zone,
Bright, blest, afar.

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One lone, brave star.

STAR OF BETHLEHEM.

In tender mercy, Spirit sped
A loyal ray
To rouse the living, wake the dead,
And point the Way,—

The Christ-ideal, God anoints,
Of Truth and Life;
The Way in Science, He appoints,
Which stills all strife.

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CHRIST HEALING.

What the beloved knew and taught
Science repeats,
Through understanding, dearly bought,
With fierce heart-beats.

Through understanding, dearly sought,
With fierce heart-beats.

SEEKING AND FINDING.

For heaven's CHRISTUS, earthly Eves,
By Adam bid,
Make merry feast on Christmas eves,
O'er babe and crib.

Creatures of dust, of woman born,
Are mortals frail;
But Christ eternal! Naught forlorn
Pales this glad tale!

Make merry feast on Christmas eves,

O'er babe and crib.

CHRISTMAS EVE.

Why should ye celebrate the birth
Of one ne'er born?
Who can depict the glorious worth
Of that high morn?

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Of that high morn?

CHRISTMAS MORN.

Christ was not crucified, that doom
Was Jesus' part;
For Sharon's rose must bud and bloom
In human heart.*

Forever present, bounteous, free,
Truth glows through gloom;
And aye, with grace towards you and me,
For health makes room.

*"God manifest in the flesh."—Timothy.

And aye, with grace towards you and me,
For health makes room.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE HEALING.

And olden faith's pale star now blends
In seven-hued white!—
Life, without birth and without end
Emitting light!

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Emitting light!

I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. — *Jesus.*

The Way, the Truth, the Life,—His word,—
Are here, for now
This mental healing of her lord
Crowns Wisdom's brow.

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TREATING THE SICK.

Winged Christian Science soars to view
The great I Am,
With all His glory shining through
Mind, mother, man.

As in blest Palestina's hour,
So in our age,
'Tis the same hand unfolds His power,
And writes the page.

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CHRISTIAN UNITY.

Christ calls to-night: Oh take me in!
No mass for me!
But give me all thy heart,—from sin
Be cleansed, be free!

Christ calls to-night; Oh take me in!

No mass for me!

TRUTH VERSUS ERROR.

No blight, no broken wing, no moan,
Truth's fane can dim;
Eternal swells its music tone,
In Heaven's hymn.

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